

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The above-identified patent application has been amended and reconsideration and re-examination are hereby requested.

Claim 5 has been amended to more clearly and distinctly point out the subject matter in accordance with 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Claim 5 stands rejected under 35 USC 103 s being unpatentable over Jacobs et al., U. S. Publication No. 2004/100980 A1 in view of Gregg et al., US Pub.[No. 2003/0061475). The Examiner states that the CPU memory has queues 650 and 670. The Examiner also states that the input/output section is items 610, 620. However, claim 5 points out that:

1. wherein each one of the input/output sections includes a queue for outbound information being returned to the source through such originating one of the directors after being processed by the microprocessor of such remote one of the directors ; and

2. a microprocessor for processing information sent thereto from a remote one of the directors, each one of the microprocessors having a CPU and a CPU memory, such CPU memory storing a queue for inbound information passed to such director for processing therein such information being sent to the remote director from an originating one of the directors.

Thus; claim 5 points out that the input/output interface has an outbound queue and that the processor has an outbound queue. Using the interpretation given by he Examiner, the processor of Jacobs has both queues it being clear that 610, 620 do not have a queue,.

Thus, it is clear that Jacobs does not separate the inbound queue from the outbound queue with one being in the input/output interface and the other being in the processor memory.

New claims 6 - 9 point out this separation being the inbound queue and the outbound queue.

New claim 10 and 11 are addressed to a queuing method. Such method is not described in either Jacobs et al., U. S. Publication No. 2004/100980 A1 or Gregg et al., US Pub.[No. 2003/0061475).

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In the event a petition for extension of time is required by this paper and not otherwise provided, such petition is hereby made and authorization is provided herewith to charge deposit account No. 05-0889 for the cost of such extension.

In the event any additional fee is required, please charge such amount to Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 05-0889.

Respectfully submitted,

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